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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

10 ROBERT J MADDAUS,

11 Petitioner,

12 v.

13 MARGARET GILBERT,

14 Respondent.

CASE NO. 3:17-cv-06020-RBL-JRC

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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16 This is a federal habeas action filed under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has submitted an
17 application seeking leave to proceed with this action *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner's application
18 demonstrates that he is unable to afford the \$5.00 filing fee. Petitioner's application to proceed
19 *in forma pauperis* (Dkt. 1) is therefore GRANTED. The Clerk is directed to file petitioner's
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1 petition for writ of habeas corpus without the prepayment of fees. The Clerk is further directed
2 to send a copy of this Order to petitioner.

3 Dated this 22nd day of December, 2017.

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5 J. Richard Creatura
6 United States Magistrate Judge
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